



DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION

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a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DETERMINING AN OFFER REGARDING A FINANCIAL PRODUCT**, the specification of which

- is attached hereto.
- was filed on December 31, 2001 as United States Application No. 10/036,172 or PCT International Application Number _____ and was amended on _____ (if applicable).

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